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intermediate layer, by means of heat to a cover sheet made of fabric comprising monoaxially drawn tapes of polymer, and wherein [only an external surface area] less than 30% of the material thickness of the fabric tapes of the bottom surface and the cover sheet [being less than 30% of the material thickness of the fabric tapes] includes disoriented polymer molecules due to the heat, wherein a remainder of the material of the fabric tapes has molecules that are oriented.

REMARKS:

Applicant notes with appreciation the indicated allowability of the claims if claim 26 is amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. The specification and claim 26 have been amended to correct informalities as suggested by the Examiner.

As amended, claim 26 recites that less than 30% of the material thickness of the fabric tapes of the bottom surface and the cover sheet includes disoriented polymer molecules due to the heat, and the remainder of the material of the fabric tapes has molecules that are oriented. It is clear what is less than 30% of the material thickness of the fabric tapes and what includes disoriented polymer molecules due to the heat. Accordingly, applicant respectfully submits that the claims comply with 35 U.S.C. § 112.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant believes all claims now pending in this application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

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